MAY ENJOIN THE CITY

Contractors II pp & Key Contemplate Action on Old Contract.

THE HOUSTON AVENUE EXTENSION

Claim to Hold Old Contract for the Work. San Jacinto Street Paving Delayed. City Hall News Notes.

It is stated upon good authority that the corn. The Sugarland plantation is in the

supervision of the city civil engineer and have grained at the bathout W. Contractor Fitzgerald was employed to do the work and the contract was signed last of February. In the Sugarfant is week and all preparations made to begin in cultivation in

The contemplated action on the part of counties. Altogether, we are Hipp & Key is based on action taken by the our sugar house this year is of case. The case all through the part of case. The case all through the part of case. former administration. The work of ex-tending the avenue was advertised and olds received therefor and the contract awarded to Hipp & Key. The contract was not algoed by the major and the improvement of the avenue was advented. When the of the avenue was dropped. When the present council decided to prosecute the HON, JOHN W. LINVIS of Conros was fransport to make the round frin and the work, the former proceeding was ignored in Houston yesterday. Mr. Lowis unites present uniter of passessors each trip for the reason that it was regarded as a frequent trips to Houston on believes must would be 2000, that means 12.00 per year matter incomplete and of no legal force.

Lowis and is quite well known how. He Elfer transports would carry 60.00 per The bid received for the work from tities was county afternoo of Montgomety on the most over in one year if the condition & Ker a few weeks ago was regarded as too high and then the decision was resulted to proceed under the provision of the charter which gives the city the right to do the work with the civil engineer acting as an example of the process of the negroes and the resulted to the work with the civil engineer acting as an example of the process of the negroes, and there soull because of the negroes were perfect and the transports provided.

improvement regardless of any action on the part of Hipp & Ker.

The paving of San Jacinto atreet, between

Franklin and Congress avenues, has been unexpectedly delayed and that bit of paying, amounting to about \$4000, has good over until all the work new under contract is completed. When the county paid for the aspinit paving slong court house square, Contractors Hipp & Key agreed to do the additional work on San Jackito at the reasauthenial work in can dealite at the few and remarked for the amount of the original appropriation. The contractors not any they would prefer to have the city advertise for bids and have the work note according to lead requirements as a protection in them selves in case of a future contest of any character.

character.

The work on Presion avenue is rapidly nearing completion and immediately after that is finished the work of placing the vitrined brick pavement on Fifth street, from Washington street to the Louisianus street and Franklin avenue bridges will be bearn. street and Franklin avenue bringes will be begin.
The grading and graveling of German and Chartres streets will be the next work in order under the contracts now let.

+++ Mayor Holt has appointed Dr. J. D. Duckett te a place on the board of health, vice Dr. Scotf, resigned.

City Engineer Dormant has submitted an estimate of the cost of new lumber necessary for the reflooring of the Preston avenue bridge. The council has had this work in contemplation for neveral weeks. +++

The heads of the various departments are hard at work upon their annual reports. The reports will include a review of the The reports will include a review of the pear's business up to and including December Al. These reports will be in the hands of the mayor by the middle of January and his message will be submitted to the council on the last meeting of January. This city report will include the report of Haskins & Sells and will be printed in book form. The official reports will be very comprehensive and show in detail the financial affairs of the city.

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The charter provides for but four meetings of the city council each mouth, and for the reason the only business before the alder-men Monday will be a consideration of the provisious of the new charter. Council will assemble at 2 o'clock to pursue this work,

THE LIGHT QUESTION.

City Officials and Light Company Hold

A conference between the finance com-mittee, Mayor Holt and Messrs. W. H. Chapman and T. Blake Dupree, representing the Houston Light and Power company. failed of any definite results. The city is using about 364 are lights and is paying a rental of \$120 per light per annum. This figure the council's committee wishes reduced to \$80 per light, while the company is holding out for a rate of \$85 per light

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The question of a settlement of accounts between the city and company was also discussed. There is about \$45,000 represented in a suit by the company against the city and about \$40,000 of open accounts. The company is willing to settle on a 40 per cent reduction of the amount in suit and a 25 per cent reduction of the amount is an extension of its contract for a period of three and a half years, giving it a total of five years from date, the present contract running for a year and a half. It is upon the question of this extension that the city and company can not agree.

The Passing Throng

---COLONEL ED. H. CUNNINGHAM was registered at the Rice Hotel last night, having come in from Sugarland to visit his sons in this city. Colonel Communication ostablished the famous Sugarland plants tion in Fort Bend county, and through his efforts it has been made a model prantalargest single augus farm in this country, and one of the few places where the cane is grown, the raw augar produced and the remed article is made under one enclosure and by one and the same concern. The Sugariand plaintation is in the midst of what is known as the "sugariand plaintation is in the midst of what is the sugariand plaintation is in the midst of what is the bowling that the bowling the sugariand plaintation is in the power as the power is anywhere. Coloral and the countries is an anywhere. Coloral and the power is anywhe

The city proposes to go shend with the Mr. Lewis to a Yest reporter, over the efforts of a bard fourht positival on the face of in "

HON, WILLIAM A. PWILDS, for many cars focuted at Hillstone, baying 10 one the Guir. Decument and Bassess With road, which is a part of the Santa F din, a fively shoot at that the consists to more as the factor of the farmer of the Fact Toxes country, and it in confidently asserting are at tillers of the Captain fields will remain in the city several days.

ness man of Beaumott, was a visitor to Houston yesterday. Mr. Howeve f proofesided in Mouston, and has a wide circle of the largest either in Texas. There is to one particular interest upon which Beaumont has to depend. The conditions which will make it a prosperous place are

HON. S. L. STAPLES of Bastrop is in a member of the senate of the Twentyseventh legislature, and is well known on ous labor measures which were before that body for its consideration. He was most heartly in favor of the child labor law, the eighthour law and the domineheader bill, and did an lo his power to assume plish their passage, though unsuccessful.

when the eight and solve the company to make t

IMPRACTICABLE SCHEME

Says Ex-Governor Hogg of Senator Morgan's Colonizing Scheme.

NOT ENOUGH TRANSPORTS AVAILABLE

Fifty Vessels Would Only Carry 600,000 a Year-A Thrilling Hunting Episode of Governor and Sons.

Former Governor Hogg came in from his | ulation into the Green Fields of Childhood. form in Brazovia county the other day and was soon discovered at the Rice hotel chatting with old friends. "Sit right down here and talk about something else besides he did not get on to the Fact until Years news," he said in his jorial way to a Poxt later. He used to work fourteen Hours "You newspaper men rais through life too fast, so just sit here and he quiet and we won't discuss news, but talk of

plan of colonizing the negroes in the Phillippines," continued the governor, "and it's iii a dream, nothing more. Why do you know what his project really involves? Let's try a few figures. The negro race is increasing at the rate of three quarters States, and there are nearly 10,000,000 of them now hving. Now for the framsportation scheme. If the government should undertake to send them to the Pallippine it would require a tremendous feet of transports, and I'll prove it by illustration. For instance it inkes two mouths for on

A HUNTING EPISODE.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

EVENING OF DELIGHT AT PALATIAL

Entrancing Views of Beauty All About. Program of Recitations, Music and Tableaux.

For the special pheasure of their daughof friends and acquaintances in this city in; Miss Bessle, who is at home from Beaument still continues in the march school for the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. John Benument still continues in the march school for the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. John of progress, and I am a firm believer in [1]. Kirby invites a goodly number of their he idea that it is destined to become one friends to rome out to their magnificent home and be entertained by the presentstion of a most attractive program of music feeling a little Ashamed for having stayed For this occasion the second story of

fining the graceful aren of the bridge across land. Several were heard to wonder: "in

Modern Fables

The Modern Fable of Successful Tobias and Some of His Happy New Years.

by the Hand of Lovely Woman.

Young Fellows to the Bad.

And Loveir Woman seemed to regard it

as her Assignment to put all of the Nice

R was customary to mix Tea, Coffee

Sherbet, Lemonade, Egg-Nogg, Artillevy

Punch, Finaerine and Straight Goods until

the Happy New Year looked like a scram-

bled Rainbow and the last Caller was

Tobe used to go out every New Year's Day to meet the Good-Lookers and fune

round with them, for those were his Saind

Days. He made it a Combination Salad

and philandered with about Seven before he took the Rig Rick and bought a Home

with a Mortgage Attachment and sertled

Then the Happy New Year began to have an entirely new Meaning.
He drew a Red Mark around Japuary L.

for that was the ling when he had to make

the Beaks balance and take up some big

Note that was hunging over him like a

His usual Pine for celebrating the Happy

New Year was to sit in his Office figuria.

on how to from the Pay-Roll and sneak

Sherin's Hands for another Twelve Months,

take out a Pennii on December 31 and

ecoupute a Net Profit big enough to fill a

To all Intents and Purposes he had com-

to the High Ground where he could award to sit down for a while and enjoy the

He certainly possessed all the Accessories

He had a Bank Roll and a House on the Honleyard and a Wife who was slowly but

He had a Son attenting a high-priced

University and gradually accumulating an

School which used the French Novel as a

So, after all these Years of Struggling

Tobias knew what it was to have a gen-

the Hollday Varation the wave Mrs. Toble ve a big Daneing Party on New Year

At these glittering Punctions the Family

did what it could to keep Toblas in the Background, for while he was a Cocker

when it came to foing a Pountain Pon-

Specialty with a Check Rook, he was a

Prosted Turnip when standed into a Suit

costing \$100 and put down in a Marle An-

telectic Apartment with a lot of Channerys who had been educated in the East.

He celebrated the flind New Year by

standing around in Doorways and looking

monrafully at the Light Weights who were delay the Cetilion and each of them hav-

He saw his Wife hobenouting with a

ing on Florth was that he locked well in

Daughter was dancing with a lovely Specimen of the night-blooming Rounder and Son was passing the Capacites. And no one was paying any Attention to the Provider.

Human Pickerel whose only Exems for he

surely worming her Way into Seclety.

a Huppy Now Year,

olnely Happy New Your.

come and a Fermal Dimer.

ng the Time of his Life,

Evening Clothes:

up Selling Prices and keep out of the

But the Time came when Tobias could

(Copyrighted, 1902, by Robert Howard Rusman to take a Drink when it was preferred well.) For The Post.

Once there was a Financial Heavy-Weight, the Mile-Stones of whose busy Life were strung back across the Valley of Trib-Like most of our Aristocrats, he got his Start out among the Corn-Rows. His Youth was spent very happily, but he did not get on to the Fact until Years

SWISS .

IL Ringers

"I was just miking of Senator Morgan's. or a million a year, at least, mathe United

Why, the proposition is ridiculous per for his Board and Clothes, and his only Dissipation was to take in the Swiss Bell-Hingers once every Season

At the Close of every Year he was permitted to attend a Water Meeting at the Mr. Zion Church. The Watch-Meeting is a form of Galety invented a long time ago by some one who was not feeling well at

that is a wonder in its way. I took or four Hours on the hard Benches, medtating on all the low-down, ornery Thungs they had done during the Old Year. Some of them had to hurry in order to crowd

Now, and then a local High-Guy with Threat Whiskers would urbs and talk for a short time on the Subject of Death and wonder how many of those present would be taken in by the Grim Resper during the Just at Midnight the Sexton would Toll

each of the Merry-Makers would go home and our a Plece of Mince Ple and a Belle Plewer Apple and retreat to the Feathers.



Later On, after Toblas moved into Town 4 the luxuriously appointed natatorium was and began to wear Store Clothes and Stand-As the guesta were arriving, exchanging of wonder and admiration might be heard on every hand. For the vision of the Errowas that of the Control of the fulliance is the publicance.

the buildantly lighted grounds, shimmer- All the Women received and the Men went ing glint and sparkle of the lake's waters, over the entire Circuit and traded job-print-under the glow of the electric bulbs deed Cards for something to Eat and Drink. This made it Fine for those who were It, the white columns of the great curving columns of the great curving columns be leading to the marble walls and the gleaning white of the marble walls and Coruntaian columns of that fulfilling itself made a picture like dreams of fairying. Several were heard to wonder: "In HON. S. L. STAPLES of Bastrep is in commande leading to the maintenance and the city for a few days. Mr. Staples was the gleaning white of the marble walls usually they had a Hard Finish, for it was

Second errest crossing. Investigation of pardon by Governor Joseph D. Severe showed It to be the body of a man, but the iron wheels had crushed out the spark of Baperintendent of Trans Ponitentiaries the man's the continuous states. life. The head was masked to pulp and all Baker.

remains and he ordered the body removed county of their from the person and some

WASHINGTON.—Senator Morgan thinks papers found upon his person tended to have been 20182 and name to be James

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A. J. Vick and M. E. Andrews

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Bradley, one of the State convints who as I provided at the prison tallies ceived a pardon on Christman des. illetuste of liberty was short. A careful search of the ments element

produced the following actions: A small pocket knife, the first page of the Chiefman the Herston and Texas Central tracks Blade, under date of November 15, 1992. struck an object fring on the rails near the and a duty struck and scaled produced by

The proclamation region that James Bradley was convicted at the Pelicia Justice Matthews was called to view the Isrm, 1501, in the district court of Jofferson tened to the pentantiary for two years; that his conduct was good at the State is sheet and the pardon duted December 17 was to be effective on December 25.

It is hardly possible that this man would have been in possession of the paper were to the this that the carrier who reterized this Christmas gift from the State's executive.

HOME IN HOUSTON. The penitentiary superintendent's disshow the deceased to have been James Bradley. The description of the man when